

2020 PRESENTATION NIGHT



Left:
 Caltex Medal Award winner Bonnie Dolphin with 2019 Caltex winner Sophie Taylor who presented Bonnie with this year's award.



Right:
 Holder Medal winner Cade Ridley with former Waikerie High School student Ms Sarah White who was our guest speaker and presented this award.



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 Department for Education



2021 EVENTS

**Book Collection,
Uniform & Payments
TUESDAY**

19th January 2021
1:00pm to 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY
20th January 2021
9:30am to 3:00pm

**Term 1
Commences on
WEDNESDAY**
27th January 2021

**UNIFORM SHOP
HOURS**

Tuesday 8:30-9:00am
Thursday 8:30-9:00am

All uniforms must be paid
for at time of purchase
either by cash, EFTPOS or
cheque.

Earlier this week we had our very successful Presentation evening. Due to Covid-19 and the restricted number we presented only to Years 10 to 12. The Presentation Night was live streamed for those who could not attend. Our Guest Speaker was former student Sarah White, who is now currently working as a paramedic in Adelaide. It was terrific to hear her story and the pathway to achieving her qualifications. Students could relate and learn from her experiences and we thank Sarah for sharing her story.

There were many special guests and presenters including:
Governing Council Chairperson - Mr Daniel McGurgan
Waikerie Loxton Mayor- Mr Leon Stasinowsky
2019 Caltex Award winner - Ms Sophie Taylor
Riverhaven Enterprises - Mrs Bronte McLean
Further Education and Pathways - Mr Chris Marks
Cadell Community & Tourist Association - Mr Jason Lukacs
Rain Moth Gallery - Mrs Connie Little
Moorundie Ruwe medal - Mrs Lynette Nitschke
Past Principal and teacher - Mr Neil White

It was terrific to present our graduating class of 2020 and witness the celebration of our students work. Listed in our Newsletter are our sponsors that generously support the evening. All proceeds go directly to the students on the night and we are grateful for your continued support.

To our Year 12 students, it is with an element of sadness that you leave us. However, we hope you look back on your schooling at Waikerie High School with fond memories and we look forward to hearing about your future pathway. We wish you all the very best. Today (Friday) we presented Years 8 and 9 students at our Celebration of Success assembly.

To all members on the High School Governing Council I thank you for all your commitment and energy. It has been a pleasure to work with this committee and the passion and enthusiasm this group has for our school is most appreciated. To our Chairperson, Mr Daniel McGurgan, I thank you for your leadership and support of our school.

To all staff members I thank you for your professionalism and hard work. This team works so hard to ensure Waikerie High School students are given the very best opportunities and the possibility for them to be their very best.

To all students, I thank you for embracing our values and learner dispositions. It is so rewarding to see you continually strive to learn and improve. Congratulations to all that have given their best throughout the year.

I wish you all a safe and Merry Christmas.

Wishing you a very
MERRY CHRISTMAS


Craig Griffiths
Principal



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL SENIOR SCHOOL REPORT

Year 12 – It was great to see the Year 12s again on speech night and congratulations on 13 years of schooling. Results from SACE will be published on the 15th of December and I wish all students the best in the future post school.

Year 11 – It was unfortunate that exams did not proceed with Covid-19 interruptions; however, the students were not placed at a disadvantage and final grades were carefully considered by the teachers. It was pleasing to see many As and Bs across a range of subjects. In particular, I congratulate the students and teachers on the compulsory subjects with very close to all students completing their English, Numeracy and Research Project. Only a few students require some extra work in order to complete these subjects.

Year 10 – I am sure students have learnt many skills during their work experience in Week 9. It is an authentic way for a student to know if a certain career is suitable for them. I encourage students to consider extra work experience in Year 11 and this can be negotiated with the school.

Well done to the Year 10 group on their completion of the Personal Learning Plan (PLP). This is often the first SACE subject that students are enrolled in and is worth 10 credits. Many Year 10 students also gained SACE credits this year in Creative Arts, Scientific Studies and Electronics.

2021 Timetables

Timetables for 2021 will be issued via Daymap messaging.

Please look at these timetables and if you feel there is something that needs to be changed then day map message or email your concerns to me. I will look at the requests early in the New Year and get back to you with a solution before the school year starts.

I wish all students and families a safe and enjoyable break and I look forward to working with you all in 2021.



Phil Valentine
Assistant Principal – Senior School
phil.valentine491@schools.sa.edu.au



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL MIDDLE SCHOOL REPORT

I would like to thank all students and parents/caregivers for their support this year. It has been a busy and a mixed year with current events still present. Students are finishing off the year well with the Year 10's completing their work experience in Week 9 and the Year 8 and 9 students competing in the STEM challenges earning points for their house team during this week. In Week 8, saw the last part of the Year 7 transition process, concluding with a parent information session. This was in place of the normal BBQ night due to Covid-19. The event was really well attended and some very relevant information delivered to the parents with plenty of question time with parents and students making some good connections with staff and home group teachers. Have a Merry Christmas and New Year, stay safe and we will see you next year.



Dion Higgins
AP Middle School



2020 AWARD WINNERS



**Sports Award
Daniel Schmidt**



**Moorundie Ruwe Award
Wyley Moxham**



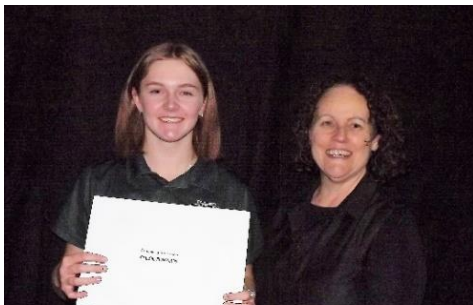
**DC Loxton & Waikerie
Mayoral Scholarship
Aaliyah Loffler**



**Rain Moth Gallery Award
Taylah Kuchel**



**Cadell Community and Tourist Assoc
Jia McGurgan & James Ziegler**



**Performing Arts Award
Chloe Edwards**



**Pratt Scholarship
Jack Higgins**



**Riverhaven Animal Husbandry
Parker Steinert**



**Australian Defence Force Awards
Jed Thiel, Cade Ridley, Liam Jinks and
Aaliyah Loffler**



**VET Awards
Chantelle Miller, Wade Kokegei and
Emily Taylor**



**Zonta Club Awards
Vaine Guy and Tessa Canney**



**Tim Whetstone Award
Bonnie Dolphin and Cade Ridley**

2020 MAJOR AWARDS

Sports Award
Moorundie Ruwe Award
Tim Whetstone Medal
Tim Whetstone Medal
Riverhaven Animal Husbandry Award
Central Irrigation Trust
Greg Cottle Memorial Award
Year11 VET Student of the Year
Year12 VET Student of the Year
ASBA Award
Year 11 Zonta Award
Year 12 Zonta Award

Daniel Schmidt
Wyley Moxham
Bonnie Dolphin
Cade Ridley
Parker Steinert

Chloe Brooks
Ethan Johnson
Chantell Miller
Wade Kokegei
Emily Taylor
Vaine Guy
Tessa Canney

Rain Moth Gallery Award
Performing Arts Award
Loxton/Waikarie Mayoral Scholarship
Rotary Technology Scholarship
Mid Murray Award

Taylah Kuchel
Chloe Edwards
Aaliyah Loffler
Tiana Burns
Jia McGurgan

Mid Murray Award
ADF Long Tan Youth Award
ADF Long Tan Youth Award
ADF Future Innovators Award
ADF Future Innovators Award
Pratt Scholarship
Holder Medal
Caltex Medal

James Ziegler
Jed Thiel
Cade Ridley
Aaliyah Loffler
Liam Jinks
Jack Higgins
Cade Ridley
Bonnie Dolphin

STAGE 1 SUBJECT AWARDS

Essential mathematics
HPE
Food & Hospitality
Metal Work
Woodwork
Winemaking
Community Studies
Creative Arts
Community Studies
Agriculture
Essential English
English
Physics
General Mathematics
Modern History
Chemistry
Specialist Mathematics
Biology
Mathematical Methos
HPE

Kate Daniels Blight
Harry McLean
Bailee Pretty-Forrester
Mitchell Hahn
Jack McWaters
Ethan Johnson
Shakira Crack
Taylah Kuchel
Taylah Kuchel
Parker Steinert
Parker Steinert
Jack Higgins
Jack Higgins
Matthew Schmidt
Matthew Schmidt
Tyson Schutz
Tyson Schutz
Marcel Waanders
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STAGE 2 SUBJECT AWARDS

Agriculture Production
Community Studies B Ag
Essential English
Food & Hospitality
General Mathematics
Modern History
Research Project A
Chemistry
HPE
Biology
English
Mathematical Methods
Physics
Research Project
Scientific Studies

Hayley Wilson
Chloe Brooks
James Ziegler
Keonne Griaga
Cody Turner
Tessa Canney
Jia McGurgan
Cade Ridley
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Bonnie Dolphin
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Year 10 Academic Achievement

Ebony Jinks
Simreet Kaur
Alana Matulick

Bronze Medal

Year 9 Academic Achievement

Samantha Cabot
Trista Carter
Lachlan Ebert
Kaylah Griaga
Keelan Johnson
Charlotte McLean
Tyra Morgan
Stella Thomas

Bronze Medal

Year 8 Academic Achievement

Flynn Andrew
Amity Burns
Kieran Hahn
Arian Hashemi
Sienna Hyde
Georgia Kelly
Malachi Lloyd
Shana Mansergh
Zali Schiller
Aaron Schmidt
Charlotte Werner
Max West

Year 10 High Academic Achievement

Charmaine Barty
Emily Brock
Tiana Burns
Makayla Frost
Brayden Helbig
Chloe Nitschke
Amy Smith
Maria Uchida

Silver Medal

Year 9 High Academic Achievement

Sarah Campbell
Taya Jolley
Blake Loffler
Isabella Neville

Silver Medal

Year 8 High Academic Achievement

Brodie Fechner
Gemma Simpfendorfer

Year 10 Outstanding Academic Achievement

Chloe Edwards
Aaliyah Loffler
Harveen Singh
Jed Thiel

Gold Medal

Year 9 Outstanding Academic Excellence

Felicity Arnold
Haylee Gore
Taylah Gore
Ulani Guy
Lucy Kroehn
Reuben Lehmann
Ebony Prevedel
Jaskan Singh

Gold Medal

Year 8 Outstanding Academic Excellence

Chloe Higgins
Ellen Kroehn
Imogen Lochert
Latia Loffler
Claire McWaters
Ryan Schutz
Emma Thiel
Thomas Waanders

Waikerie High School would like to thank the following sponsors:

Agri Business Supplies Pty Ltd
Australia Day Committee
Australian Defence Forces
Bank SA
BVMS
Cadell Community and Tourist Association
Caltex
Central Irrigation Trust
Chris Grieger-Electrician
District Council of Loxton/Waikerie
Future Education and Pathways
Lions Club of Waikerie Inc
Lochert Brothers
Marion Maywald
Marshall First National Real Estate
No1 Home & Gifts
Rainmoth Gallery

Ray White Real Estate
Riverhaven Enterprises
Rotary Club - Waikerie
Sutton Ford
Terry and Lynette Nitschke
The Cobweb Association
Tim Whetstone MP
Visy Board
Waikerie Bakery
Waikerie Events 21 Inc
Waikerie Garden and Landscape Centre
Waikerie Hotel Motel
Waikerie Medical Centre
Waikerie Pharmacy
Waikerie Real Estate – Cary Hocking
Warehouse Matrix
Woody's Variety Store
Zonta Club of the Riverland

MESSAGE FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER

M&S Charges 2021

Waikerie High School polled this year for the Material & Services charges for 2021 the votes received have been counted, the outcome is that our Material & Services charges for 2021 are set at \$360. To qualify for School Card, your family's gross income must be below a certain limit. This limit depends on how many dependent children you have and whether your child attends a government or independent school

School card application forms for 2021 will be available from the school or www.sa.gov.au at the beginning of January 2021.



NEW Waikerie High School Rugby Top

We have a new rugby top that will be available for purchase at the beginning of 2021 for \$61 each.

Book Collection, Uniform & Payment Days in January 2021

Tuesday 19th January, 2021

1-7pm

Wednesday 20th January, 2021

9:30am-3pm

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES FOR 2021

The Uniform Shop will be open Tuesday and Thursday 8:30am-9am. All uniforms need to be paid in full at time of purchase either by cash, EFTPOS or cheque.

BOOK ROOM OPENING TIMES 2021

The book room is open
Monday to Friday 8:30am to 9:00am.

**Felicity Ziegler
Business Manager**



FINAL SCIENCE/MATH REPORT

Congratulations to all the students and parents for getting through 2020. We are anticipating that next year, we can resume some sort of normality. This will include Waikerie High School hosting the Interschool Math Olympics in Term 3 (8-10) and participating in the Science and Engineering Challenge in Term 2 (Year 10's).

A reminder regarding Graphics calculators for the current year 10 students studying General or Methods in year 11. As you will need a Graphics calculator, please see an attached form to purchase a new one from Abacus. The other option is to purchase a second hand calculator from the book room for \$50. Students will need their calculators for the beginning of 2021.

A huge thank-you to the wonderful staff who have contributed to the Math and Science faculty this year. The students at Waikerie High School certainly benefit from the hard work and passion these staff have for the area.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Safe New Year and we are looking forward to welcoming you all in 2021.

Year 10 Research Project

This term in Year 10 Science, the students participated in a mini research project around the theme "How will humans live past 2100".

The students research a whole heap of topics and then chose an area of interest. Some look at making clouds for rain, genetic modification, robotic technology, solar energy, living houses, population control methods like capital punishment, purges, civil wars and gladiator fights, veganism, insects, climate change, deforestation, contraception education and living houses. Today the students presented their project and the teachers were very impressed. The work and effort gone into their presentations was commendable and all students that presented, showed great knowledge of their topic.

Congratulations to all the students involved in today's presentations.

Donna Haynes
Maths/Science



AGRICULTURE

Year 9s have set up Yabby breeding pods. Let's hope these pairings get along. We will see next year!!



Year 9s have been busy with their succulent creations to finish the year and trial a new section to a future topic of 'succulents and their propagation'.



Year 9s have also recorded data for our orange trial in order to determine the best root stock for valencias. They recorded tree height, trunk diameter, above and below graft diameters, harvested fruit to determine yield as well as tree health and gall wasp removal.



Year 10s have finished the year by constructing some very needed shelters for our sheep. They had to stake out a 3 x 4m shelter, bore holes, square up the six posts, ensure posts were vertical, attach timber beams, cut posts and beams to length and then attach the roof sheets. All of this was done with recycled materials. Some sheep have even given them their 'lick' of approval. It was also pleasing to see students being sun smart and bringing hats to shade grass and timbers!!! They worked extremely hard to complete these tasks in the limited time we had. Great stuff.



MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTORAL CARE WORKER

Term 4 has moved very quickly – I feel like I have blinked and it has passed by! This term, lunch time activities have been a hit! The Friday craft group has gone from strength to strength, with students making key rings, decorative sand bottle and washi tape covered books (amongst other things). In addition to the craft group, the students have continued to enjoy board games every Wednesday. Kira Mader came in and ran three dance workshops at lunch time, which was well received by students. To celebrate the end of the term I hosted a Christmas Party in room 16. The students enjoyed light snacks, Christmas music, Christmas crafts and games. This was a great time of fellowship and celebration, after what has been a trying year.

I wish each of you peace, hope and joy as you celebrate the Christmas season!

I look forward to seeing you all again in the New Year.

Janine Grieger
Pastoral Care Worker



Are you prepared for the next 6 weeks of holidays?

Is gaming and screen time having a negative impact on your child's life?

Screen time and gaming is ok for young people when there are clear boundaries in place. It becomes problematic when it is having a negative impact on their life and others around them. It can be great for socialising and an amazing outlet for imagination, but it also has its downsides. Online games are designed to make it hard to stop once they start playing (addictive). It can be fun and positive if done in moderation. The long term impacts can be devastating.

Here are some signs that gaming might be impacting your child's life:

- Are they playing late at night and sleeping through the day?
- Are they finding it really hard to get to sleep at night because their mind is still buzzing?
- Are they not getting their school work done, but still spending lots of time gaming?
- Do they find it difficult to go to school after gaming late at night, on the weekend, or through the holidays?
- Do they get really angry about losing?
- Do they get really annoyed when anyone interrupts them when they are gaming?
- Do they find it hard to concentrate when they are not gaming?
- Are they not interested in any other hobbies besides gaming?
- Do they push friends or family away or try to get out of social commitments, to spend more time online?
- Are they not getting enough exercise/sunshine/nutrition/family time/showering because they are spending so much time gaming?

If you answered yes to any of these points, they could be spending too much time online. You can speak to the school Social Worker and/or services listed below about how to reduce their playing time, how to set clear rules and boundaries, and to discuss other support.

Need to talk to someone?

- Bec Barker- Waikerie High School Social Worker
- Headspace
- Relationships Australia
- Kids helpline
- Parents helpline
- www.esafety.gov.au

Other activities for the holidays

- Swimming
- Arts and craft
- Reading
- Exercise
- Playing with pets
- Visiting family and friends
- Game boards and cards
- Photography
- Yoga and meditation
- Listening to music
- Cooking
- Sport
- Kayaking and water sports
- Nature walk
- Volunteering
- Gardening
- Jobs around the house

Bec Barker
Social Worker





summer break support

*We have a strong and supportive community
If you're experiencing difficulties, please don't hesitate to access the following supports*

24/7 Helpline Services

Kids Helpline

Counselling for young people aged 5-25
1800 55 1800
kidshelpline.com.au

Mensline Australia

Men with emotional or relationship concerns
1300 78 99 78
mensline.org.au

Lifeline

Anyone experiencing a personal crisis
13 11 44
lifeline.org.au

Suicide Call Back Service

Anyone thinking about suicide
1300 659 467
suicidecallbackservice.org.au

Eheadspace

Support for young people aged 12-25
1800 650 890
ehespace.org.au

1800RESPECT

People impacted by sexual assault, domestic or family violence and abuse
1800 737 732
1800respect.org.au

Beyond Blue

Anyone feeling anxious or depressed
1300 22 4636
beyondblue.org.au

National Coronavirus Information Helpline

For people seeking information and advice on COVID-19
1800 020 080

Local Support



Waikerie Hub

Phone: 8541 3496

WAIKERIE FOOD PANTRY

Times are tough. Do you need a hand to make it through?

FOOD HAMPER'S ARE AVAILABLE* FOR \$15
Includes: fresh produce and pantry staples.

Provided by the Waikerie Youth Hub, Waikerie Uniting Church and Foodbank.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER FOR A FOOD HAMPER CONTACT:
WAIKERIE YOUTH HUB - PH. 0431 733 221

*SUBJECT TO FOOD AVAILABILITY



Waikerie High School Social Worker- Bec Barker

For support during school hours please contact Bec through the front office on 8541 2533

You can message Bec on daymap and video chat through Microsoft teams
Bec will be available most days the week before school starts back



In an emergency please call 000 or call 13 14 44 for police assistance



WAIKERIE HIGH SCHOOL ONLINE STUDENT CALCULATOR ORDERS

ORDERS ARE TO BE PLACED BETWEEN:

OPENING 1ST OCT 2020- CLOSING 19TH NOV 2020

ORDERS PLACED AFTER THE ABOVE DATE WILL INCUR A \$14.95 DELIVERY FEE AND BE CHARGED THE ONLINE CALCULATOR PRICE

STEP 1: GO TO www.abacuscalculators.com.au

STEP 2: ENTER YOUR SCHOOL ID CODE TO LOG IN: **WAIKERIESA**

STEP 3: SELECT YOUR CALCULATOR AND ACCESSORIES & PAY FOR YOUR ORDER USING CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD

STEP 4: **FREE DELIVERY** - TO THE SCHOOL WILL BE 2 WEEKS AFTER THE CLOSING DATE.

CASIO FXCG50AU- INCLUDES FREE ABACUS 2-YEAR EXTENDED WARRANTY

CASIO "BUNDLE "GREAT SAVING

1X CASIO- FXCG50AU, 1X PADDED CASE, 1X 32GB USB = \$241.50 incl gst

OR ORDER INDIVIDUALLY

- 1X FXCG50AU- \$231.00 gst inclusive (graphic calc)
- STYLUS PEN - \$5.50 gst inclusive (spare stylus)
- PADDED CASE - \$5.50 gst inclusive
- 32GB USB - \$7.15 incl gst

SEE CONDITIONS BELOW:

- 2 YEAR REPAIR/REPLACEMENT WARRANTY (BROKEN SCREENS NOT INCLUDED)
- PLEASE KEEP PROOF OF PURCHASE FOR WARRANTY PURPOSES.
- NO REFUNDS GIVEN FOR INCORRECT PURCHASES.

If you need to place an order after the closing date:

go onto the home page of;

www.abacuscalculators.com.au

and order your calculator at the current online price. The calculator can be delivered directly to your preferred address for \$14.95 (delivery cost)

Any queries please call Gaynor

PH: 1800 998 424 FAX: 1800 818 171

EMAIL; gaynor@abacus.com.au

Please refer to our website for full terms and conditions.

Remember 2020

Order this year's school magazine

What a good way to remember your friends and all the wonderful experiences you had.

Includes all class photos and Year 12 Formal photos.

\$20 each

The 2020 Magazine will be available for collection when school re-opens for 2021.

Orders are now open for this year's school magazine and will close on 11 December.

To order your copy of the 2020 school magazine, complete the following tear-off order form and make your payment of \$20 at the finance office.



Yes please, I would like to order a copy of the 2020 Waikerie High School Magazine.

Student name: _____

Current Year level: _____

Students currently in **Years 8 - 11** will be called to collect their school magazines early in Term 1 of next year.

The following options are only available to current **Year 12** students:
Choose **ONE** of the following collection options:

I will personally collect my copy from the school's reception area.
Parent Name: _____ Contact Phone No: _____

I give permission for my younger sibling (Name: _____
Current Year level: _____) to collect my copy.

I would like my copy posted. Please supply a stamped self addressed A4-envelope when paying for your magazine.

Cost to post (\$5.50 stamped, self-addressed A4 size envelope supplied)

Office use only:

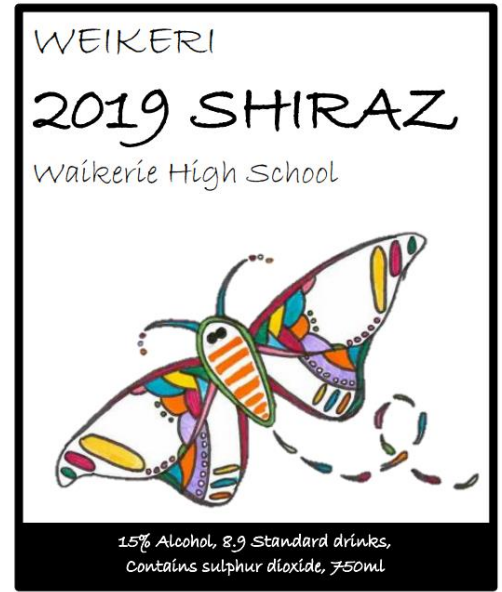
Magazine Collected:

2019 WAIKERIE HIGH SCHOOL SHIRAZ WINE LAUNCH (WITHOUT THE EVENT!)

Due to Covid-19, 2020 has not allowed us to launch the wine made by the 2019 Year 11 Ag class and bottled by the 2020 Year 11 Winemaking students.

As such, we have to launch the wine a little different this year. The students only produced a small amount of wine in 2019, so we were lucky to have Growers Wine Group help us with some of their Shiraz to make up the volume. Haylee Gore won the label competition and designed a very unique label.

We are selling the bottles for \$8 a bottle or \$80 for a carton of 12. If you are interested in purchasing some wine, please fill out the slip below and either email it to donna.haynes816@schools.sa.edu.au or hand it in to the front office so we can organise collection.



We look forward to your support of the Winemaking program at Waikerie High School

Donna Haynes
Viticulture

Please hand this form to the front office, or email Donna Haynes

Name _____ Student Name _____

Parent email address _____

We would like to purchase _____ bottles. Cost _____

Ideal time to pick up the wine _____